

NPSI Board Meeting via Zoom
May 12, 2021

Officers:

President – Barbara Sewell, MaMFC, MDIV,
MRE, MIPA
Past-President – Maxine Nelson, LICSW,
FIPA
Treasurer – Eileen Fletcher,
SPHR/SHRM-SCP
Secretary – JoAnn Mills
Director of Training – David Parnes, LICSW,
FIPA
Education Committee Chair (rotating) –
David Parnes, LICSW, FIPA

Directors:

Caron Harrang, LICSW, FIPA
Alison Kneisl, MD, MBA, MS
Carolyn Steinberg, MD, FRCPC, FIPA

Community Member Director:
Michael Dougherty

Candidate Representatives:
Nicole Wiggins, MA

Administrative Staff:

Recording Secretary – Tese Mason

Present: Eileen Fletcher, Maxine Nelson, Carolyn Steinberg, Barbara Sewell, Michael
Dougherty, Nicole Wiggins, JoAnn Mills, Ali Kneisl

Absent: Caron Harrang

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Barbara Sewell.

I. Review of April 2021 minutes.

April 2021 minutes were removed from the Consent Agenda, amended, and approved as amended.

Consent Agenda - Barbara Sewell:

- Minutes from April 14, 2021
- Education Committee Report
- Candidate Group Report
- Survey for IJP Opt-out Subscription

The Consent Agenda was approved.

I. President's Report - Barbara Sewell:

Barb Sewell reported that ExCom has requested that a farewell gift be purchased for Robert and Mirta Olesner. The Board has approved the purchase of the gift with a limit of \$300.

Barb reported that the Selected Facts June newsletter will follow the theme, "Speaking about Race," which has been part of many of the discussions within NPSI since the scientific meeting last fall. Requests have been sent out to the NPSI community for newsletter submissions. The Board approved including a link of the January "Speaking About Race" event in the upcoming newsletter.

II. Treasurer's Report - Eileen Fletcher:

Eileen Fletcher reported that the total amount of Net Assets is: \$64,419.07. Her report included comparisons to last fiscal year and notes on circumstances resulting in changes. Overall, the assessment of the Finance Committee is that NPSI is in strong financial standing.

III. Educational Events and Scientific Meetings. - Maxine Nelson:

Maxine Nelson reported on the May 1st event, "Intuition in the Analytic Process: Curiosity, Attention, and Observation." There were 125 attendees registered and the Net Income was \$8310.40. This Special Scientific Meeting was planned in anticipation of the 13th *International Evolving British Relations Conference* (EBOR), tentatively scheduled for October 2022 in Seattle. The two presentations were by Nicola Abel-Hirsch (London) and Avner Bergstein (Tel Aviv). Maxine expressed that there were a number of technical difficulties that were very challenging for the moderator to handle and attend to the session. She suggested that, going forward, each event have a host and moderator present.

Nancy Winters will be the moderator for the May 19th event: "Intersubjective Intuition: At-one-ment and Analytic Process."

Maxine reported on EBOR 2022, scheduled for October 14, 15, & 16. Currently, there are a number of very enthusiastic senior members interested in being on the committee, but no one has agreed to chair the committee.

Action Item: Barbara Sewell will confer with Margaret Bergmann-Ness about the details for the EBOR committee chair job position.

IV. NAPsaC- Carolyn Steinberg:

Carolyn Steinberg reported that NAPsaC will be participating in a questionnaire that will look at racism in psychoanalytic organizations. The Board has approved the request to participate in the questionnaire.

The Intra-Regional Committee of NAPsaC will have a Fall event designed to promote collaborations between the three regions of IPA. They have put on one event this year at AAPSA and will be presenting a program at the upcoming IPA. A third event is in the works for Fall 2021.

NAPsaC requested that member organizations pass on their list of Members and Candidates in order to facilitate communicating events. The Board has approved this.

V. Strategic Plan and Moving Forward - Ali Kneisl:

Ali Kneisl reported that she will try to send an updated Strategic Plan draft within 2-3 weeks. There is hope that the Board will be able to vote on the Strategic Plan at the next Board Meeting.

VI. Website Update - Michael Dougherty

The Board approved additional funds (\$345) to complete moving content and navigation per our updated site map. The additional cost is due to a change order initiated by the NPSI website team.

VII. Director of Training Report - Dave Parnes:

Dave Parnes reported on the proposal for change to the candidate voting status. Maxine Nelson, along with a committee, will review and amend the bylaws over the summer to be approved by the Board and voted on by members at the Annual Membership Meeting Fall 2021.

Dave mentioned that the Fundamentals II program has applicants that have expressed interest in remote training and that the committee is ensuring that these courses are in compliance with ACPEinc.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday June 9th 7:30-9:00 pm, via Zoom.

